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IT MAKES HIM SICK.

UNCLE SAM—"You had better give me that cigar, sonny; little boys shouldn't smoke."

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THE ROSES of June hasten their bloom in behalf of the soldiers' graves.

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AN ITALIAN recently sold his wife for five hundred dollars, and yet they say that business is depressed.

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THE SICKNESS of Aubrey Beardsley was so clearly a case of retribution that one is amazed at his recovery.

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MR. QUAY and Governor Morton both say they are going to stick; and we dare say they have selected the necessary mud.

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AN ATTACK on the squirrel by an agricultural paper is so abusive that it may fairly be called matter of great squirrelity.

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IF ALFRED AUSTIN is made a knight the verse-reading world will look upon it as a worse thing than the crushings of all the Rand.

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GENERAL WEYLER now thinks he can't put down the rebellion unless he can control the government of the United States.

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THE MAN who killed the shah had previously been pensioned by his majesty. It was another case of the goose of the golden egg.

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THE EXTENSION by Mr. Cleveland of the civil-service foolishness is calculated to relieve President McKinley of a great deal of unpleasant responsibility. Nothing could be more kind.

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GOVERNOR CLAUDE MATTHEWS of Indiana, who wants to be the Democratic nominee for president, doesn't pride himself on his knowledge of finance, anyhow. The Claudes are always intended for poets.

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THE CONCLUSION of the English newspapers that Uncle Paul of the Transvaal is anti-British and pro-German could be no more convincing if the South African company had been lifted out of the country with bayonet and gunpowder.

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THE DEMOCRATS in their national convention will have an opportunity for a new departure, says the Richmond *Dispatch*. Let it be a departure like the one in 1860, which lasted nearly a quarter of a century, and all will be well.

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One of a team of dancers in town this week while watching his partner doing a dance says in an aside to the audience, "Why, look at him! He's as light on his feet as new milk in the morning."—*Buffalo Enquirer.*

THE Hon. Stephen Brodie is credited with the remark, "He kin walk on bubbles from de Battery to Harlem bridge an' never bu'st a bub."

A CRUEL, THOUGHTLESS WIFE.

FLOWERY FIELDS—"W'y did yer leave yer wife, William?"
WEARY WILLIAM—"Oh, she wuz flighty an' changeable. Useter hide her pocket-book in a different place 'most every time; never seemed ter care how much trouble she made me."

HIS PROMPT CONCLUSION.

WHEN MR. REED was casually asked if he wouldn't take the second place out of love for his party and his country, he is said to have remarked "Huh" with some explosiveness. This has been our opinion for some time, and we beg to congratulate the distinguished gentleman on the firmness and directness of his conclusion.

AN ARTIST IN LITERATURE.

THE DEATH of H. C. Bunner is a great loss to current literature. He wrote copiously, and always well. His poems, his short stories, his essays and his novels were as complete as care, thought and the knack of invention and originality could make them. Many men and women and many homes will long have an admiring and affectionate remembrance of H. C. Bunner.

THE MONEY QUESTION.

NOBODY DOUBTS that McKinley is for the soundest of sound money. The business world knows it and every voter knows it. The attempt to create doubt on the question by his few Republican opponents is malicious and based on falsehood. The St. Louis convention will make the platform in that way, and he will stand on the platform. That would be refutation enough if any were needed. It is well to remember that.

"SHE" AND ANOTHER.

TWO THEOSOPHISTS were first married five thousand years ago. They transmigrated a few times during the intervening period, and occasionally married again; and the other day they were reunited, the ceremony being performed by the temporarily disembodied spirit of William Q. Judge, which wore a dress sheet for the occasion. And yet Rider Haggard thinks he writes fiction and tells the truth solely by accident.

RIGHTS OF CHRISTIAN WOMEN.

THE WOMEN DELEGATES to the Methodist conference at Cleveland were allowed to keep their seats and vote, but with the understanding that that action must not be regarded as a precedent. The concession is very important. It was an admission of the right for which they asked. It is unavoidably a precedent, and words to the opposite effect are of no account. And as the conference didn't perish of its generosity it is the happy beginning of the unavoidable end.

MCKINLEY AND TRACY.

COULD THE CONVENTION at St. Louis find any better or stronger man for the second place on the ticket than Benjamin F. Tracy of this state? Personally and politically he would be an ideal candidate. His record as secretary of the navy is that of a clear-headed executive, strong and pure in both character and purpose; and his popularity is commensurate with his wide acquaintanceship. Ohio and New York! Geographically, as well as otherwise, that would be a splendid ticket.

SLANDER OF THE FATHERS.

WE ARE TOLD by the New York *Evening Sun* that the habit of kneeling while popping the question had its origin in the natural and unavoidable weakness of the knee-joints of the man who did the business. Of all the iconoclasm of this period that is the meanest. It is a blow to poetry and the pretty foolishness of love which must be rebuked. It is falsehood. It is unutterable injustice to two-thirds of the romance of all the ages. Though, to be sure, he is a tough or a very stupid man who doesn't knuckle and wobble a little on those tremendous occasions.

THINK OF THE OLD BOYS.

THE SOLDIERS who died for the union also gave us a holiday. It might be well to remember them during every thirtieth of May, and not entirely as a secondary consideration. It is natural and proper that the day should be given up to amusement to some extent, but they must not be forgotten. But for the work they did and the sacrifice they made there would have been little opportunity for recreation, for the history of this country for thirty years back would have been largely made up of a succession of petty wars, and no man would have had a neighbor whom he didn't want to whip.

A GREAT RELIEF.

CHOLLY—"If you refuse me to-night you will never see me again."
ETHEL—"Oh, Mr. Mushly, how happy you make me!"

JUDGMENTS FROM MR. MCGARVEY.

TH' FELLY thot can't play poker can't play politics nayther.

Hear th' bloody naygur talkin' av bein' down-tr-rodden! Wid them fate? Niver!

Sure, it's mesilf thot do sometoimes b'lave thot flats take th' name fr-rom th' paple thot lives in 'em.

War wid Ingland—that's th' shtuff! But it's mesilf thot's fearful we'll be a long toime did befoor we're called on t' foight.

Give up th' ghost is it? Sure, thot manes whin a felly doies he gives up th' ghost av a chance he had t' git his roights in this wur-rld.

Me gr-rocer do say thot Oi've had too much cr-redit. Sure, it's mesilf thot do think Oi deser-rve more for gittin' what Oi did out av th' owld shkinflint.

DAVID H. TALMADGE.

A GOOD OPENING.

"I'M GOING to move my business to Greenville," said Pawl, the undertaker, to a friend.

"Isn't the town well supplied with undertakers?" asked the friend.

"I think not. There are only two there now, while the place has twelve physicians."

INTERESTING AND INSTRUCTIVE.

MRS. HOMESPUN—"Well, Mabel, what did you learn at school to-day?"

MABEL—"Well, I learnt that th' teacher 'd got a new feller, an' th' minister 's bin makin' love to th' new surpranner an' th' alto 's terrible jealous, an' Sam Jones's uncle's drinkin' ag'in, an' Tom Brown's father's mare 's sprung herself, an' th' Jacobses hev mortgaged their house to buy a new pianner, an' Deacon Bobbs is goin' to sue Deacon Slobs, an'"——

MRS. HOMESPUN—"Lan' sakes, Hiram! listen t' all that now, an' then say, if you kin, that children don't learn nothin' at school nowadays."

PERHAPS.

THE cathode rays have caused a craze
In science-shops these latter days;
Through thick and thin they're peering in
To find of things the origin.

Will Röntgen's art display the heart
Impaled on naughty Cupid's dart?
Will prying spark, through some skylark,
Reveal fond lovers in the dark?

Will rays reveal each whirring wheel
That craniums of cranks conceal?
Will distant Mars and all the stars
Be probed by lights from Leyden jars?

LA MONTE WALDRON.

WHY SHE WEPT.

A LITTLE family of three started to the station the other day to make a visit in the country. As the time was short they accelerated their speed as they approached the station, and finally broke into a run. It was of no avail, however; when they reached the station the train had started. Whereupon little Frances wept bitterly.

"Frances, dear," said her mamma, "why are you crying so? We can go to-morrow."

"I am crying," replied Frances, "to think of all that good running wasted."

SHE—"Here come six men."

(*Bicyclists a little nearer*)—"Five men and a woman."

(*Bicyclists still nearer*)—"Three men and three women."

(*Bicyclists arrived*)—"Six women!"

STUDIES.

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JUDGE'S FAVORITES.

FRANCES SAVILLE.

The soulful *Violetta* that we love,
The winsome-bright, Shakespearean *Mistress Ford*,
The *Marguerite* whose sigh our hearts could move,
The rare and rose-like *Juliet* - in a word,
Our own sweet Saville! till thou comest again,
For thy remembrance's sake, let silence reign.

THAT TWISTED FEELING.

NANCY—"W'y! wot's de matter, William? Ye're lookin' badly."
WILLIAM—"I'm feelin' wuss nor bad. Dese new posters don't agree wid me."

A SOLDIER'S FATE.

THE last drum-beat had died away. The last strain of martial music had echoed on the air. Once more a grateful nation had remembered its heroes, and orators had told again of Gettysburg and Antietam; of Lincoln and Mother Bickerdyke. Now twilight had fallen; the stars were lighting their camp-fires in the sky and the odor of thousands of blossoms exhaled on the air, like incense from sacred altars. By a tall gray-granite shaft whose base was piled with the white bells of lilies stood two scarred veterans, one in blue and one in gray.

PREJUDICE, PARTISAN AND PATRIOTIC!

MÜLLER—"Who do you thought vill vin der game—der Orange A. C. or der Princeton Tigers?"
BRANNIGAN (*who knows absolutely nothing of the game*)—"Oi'll bet tin t' wan thot th' Tigers do. Who iver hear-rd av Tammany ripresintatives bein' baten bhy Orangemin!"

"Yes, comrade," said the man in blue, "war is indeed a sad thing, and the worst about it is that its horrors do not end on the battle-field. Little did I think when you saved my life at the Wilderness that I should live to see the statues of our heroes that adorn New York city." The man in blue was visibly affected. He bowed his head and wept. His companion seemed scarcely less agitated.

"Cheer up," he said. "Even Columbus did not escape that fate, and there are worse things than a nightmare in marble. Why, don't you remember the man at Seven Oaks who bore the dying message of his life-long friend to his widow? Don't you remember that he married her?"

The man in blue revived somewhat.

"True, I do remember it now," he said. "Thank you for reminding me of it. By the way, do you recall the time at Manassas when you saw a ghost?"

The man in gray laughed heartily.

"Yes," he said. "And it was old Mother Bickerdyke with her lantern. She"——

"Oh, I say," broke in the other, "don't you remember that jack-rabbit that ran between the confederate and union lines at Gettysburg, and was so scared that he just jumped up and down and"——

"And all the boys crying 'Molly Cottontail! Rabbit-stew for dinner to-night,'" cried the man in gray. "Why, of course, and"——

The man in blue sighed heavily.

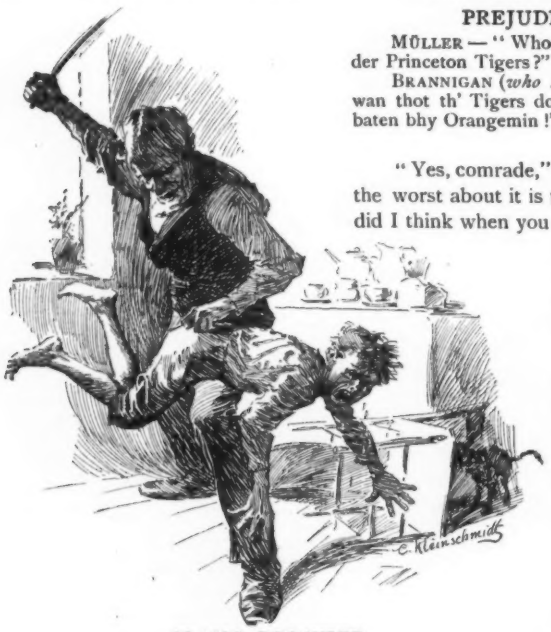
"It's no use," he said. "I can't help thinking about that poor fellow who married his friend's widow. He was so fond of peace."

"Oh, nonsense," said the man in gray, "he's all right now; he's gone to help the Cubans."

"Thank heaven!" cried the man in blue fervently. "I'll bet he takes no more dying messages."

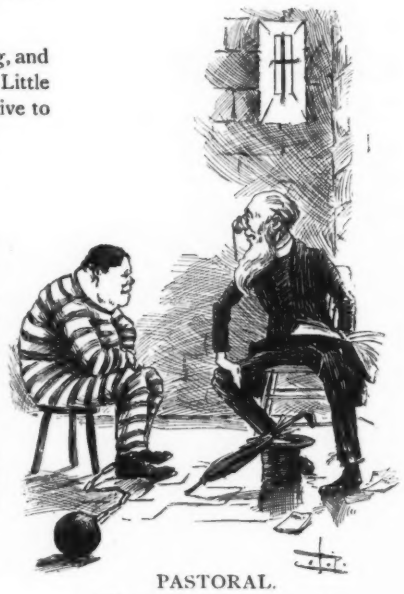
As the two friends locked arms and walked away the white lilies looked up wonderingly at the starry sky.

M. C. F.



SLANG REBUKED.

FARMER SMACKS—"Won't stand fer gittin' up at four a. m. an' milkin', hay! (*Crack.*) Wa-al, I callate yer'll stand fer not doin' it. (*And the hopeful preferred standing for some time.*)



PASTORAL.

The shepherd and his crook.

THE DIFFERENT WALKS.

Mr. Chameleon starts down Fifth avenue——

——gets on to Broadway——

——and passes down the Bowery.

A JUSTIFICATION.

"I NOTICE that you always speak of 'widow women,' Mr. Blossom," said the New York man to the visitor from St. Louis. "Now here we think the word widow alone is sufficient."

"Well, it's not explicit enough in my state," replied the Missourian.

"Indeed?"

"No, sah. The women marry so young there that we often have widow girls on our hands."

HOW THE FIGHT STARTED.

Clancey (telling his war experiences)—"'Tis will Oi rimimber th' noight befoor Vicksbur-rg was took. Oi lay in a thrinch wid har-rdly a rag on me back, wit t' th' shkin, whin Oi hear-rd wan av our b'ys tillin' another thot we'd made siviril breaches in th' inthrinchmints"——

Dugan—"An Oi suppose ye pulled on a pair av thim, an' was warmer afther thot?"

Clancey—"A pair av phwat, mon?"

Dugan—"Av th' breeches, av coorse."

WHAT IT'S GOOD FOR.

Cora—"Do you ever use the soap you find in summer hotels?"

Merritt—"Yes; to grease the window-frames with."

SOMETHING.

Olive—"I'd rather spend the winter here than the summer."

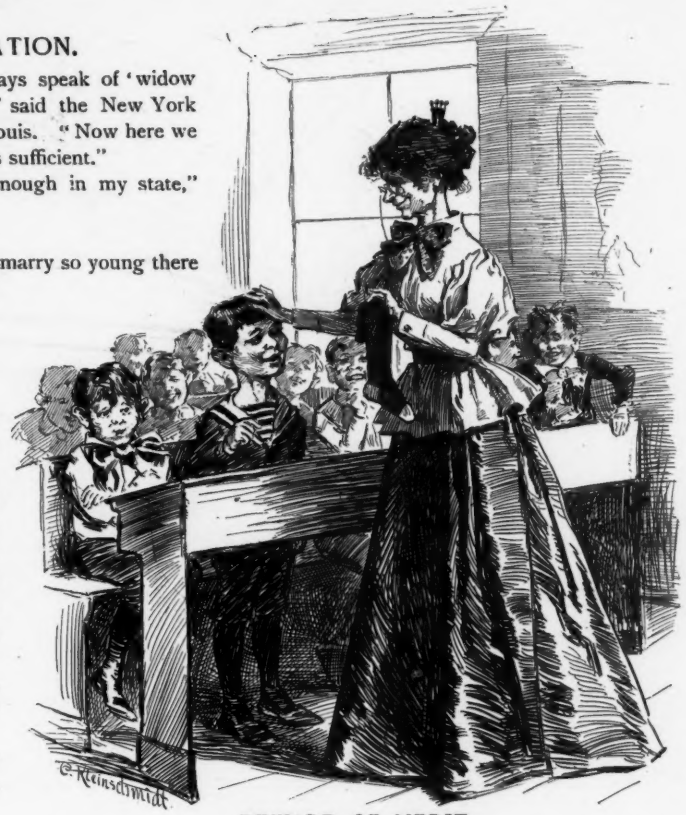
Violet—"I don't see how you can say such a thing."

Olive—"Why, then we could at least have a snow man."

A CASE OF HEREDITY.

Smith—"Old Dr. Pills's son is making ducks and drakes out of the fortune that his father left him, so I hear."

Jones—"Well, what else could you expect? The old man was a quack, wasn't he?"



REWARD OF MERIT.

TEACHER—"And how, James, was hosiery made in former days?"
JAMES—"Don't know."
TEACHER—"Next!"
THE NEXT—"Er—er—er"——
TEACHER—"Next!"
THE NEXT—"Dunno."
TEACHER—"Master Flipp, do *you* know?"
MASTER FLIPP—"Nit." (*Is sent to the head.*)

THE CAPTAIN.

WE STOOD in the orchard, that morning in May,
While the bugles they called him and called him away.
So handsome he looked, with his sword by his side,
That I laughed through my tears in my pleasure and pride.
"Oh, sweetest, I love you, I love you!" he said.
"Soon the war will be over, and then we will wed."
But I stifled a sob and he smothered a groan
When he followed the bugles and left me alone.

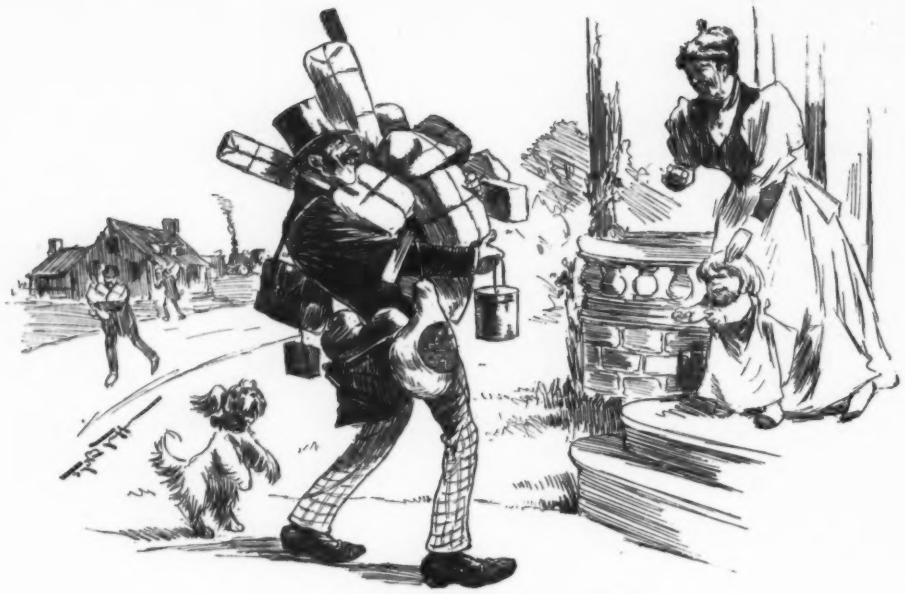
The orchards were bare and the meadows were brown
When the soldiers returned to the grief-stricken town.
There was weeping and wailing. I gave it no heed,
For all that I saw was a riderless steed—
The steed of the captain! Oh, never again
Would I watch for his coming in sunlight or rain.
To his ears, where he slept on the battle-strewn hill,
The notes of the bugles forever were still.

My tresses are silver where once they were gold.
But the love of my girlhood has never grown cold.
Once a year, for his sake, on Memorial day
A wreath on the grave of a soldier I lay.
I have nothing to comfort my days as they close
Save a lock of his hair and a brown withered rose;
But when unto the land of the leal I depart
The ringlet and rose will be pressed to my heart.

And I pray that afar on the field of the dead,
Where the green groweth deep o'er the gold of his head,
The robins may come in the dawn and the dew
And sing to the slumberer gallant and true;
And I hope that the south winds may sigh as they pass
Like a woman's light step through the rank battle-grass,
And the earliest sunbeams may open, I trust,
Just one little violet over his dust.

MINNA IRVING.

MRS. O'TOOLE—"Luk at thot, now! Shure, Oi musht hov wan av thim whirleygigs. If Mary Daily kin shport a rig loike thot thin Oi kin."



RIVALRY IN LONESOMEHURST.

MRS. LONESOME—"Why, John! I am glad to see you so smiling and looking so happy on your return home from business this evening. What is the cause of it?"

MR. LONESOME—"Well, my dear, can't you see? Why, I had more bundles to carry home than any of the other fellows on the train."

A LEAP-YEAR MAID.

A WOMAN stood at the golden gate, with a record for passport in. Troublous and hard had been her fate, yet her life had been without sin.

Saint Peter looked at her face and said, "Full long you've lived on the earth; and yet 'tis writ, for I just have read, your soul 's of uncommon worth. 'Tis strange, 'tis strange," mused the heavenly guard; "and you never have told a lie?" "Nay, good Saint Peter."

"The gate 's unbarred—— But stay, but stay! before you pass by and pray tell me exactly how old you be—your word as the proof I've seen." She smoothed back her hair and drooped her eye. "Of birthdays I've had sixteen."

"What! wrinkles, gray hair? 'Tis wondrous, very, with such youth to so strangely mix!" "Ah, saint, I was born on February 29th, 1836."

"Go back," sighed the saint; "heaven 's not for you. Its blisses must pale before the woman who all her life but knew one birthday in every four."

REGINA ARMSTRONG HILLIARD.

ROYAL CONSERVAS.

LAWS which the king has the pleasure to make
Remain at his pleasure to keep or break.

THE FLOWERS OF DECORATION DAY.

BLOSSOMS there are for days of troth
And blushing bride-array;
Blossoms to make for trembling feet
A rosy marriage-way.

Daisies that star the early fields
For chubby hands to hold,
And buttercups which God has sent
To be the babies' gold.

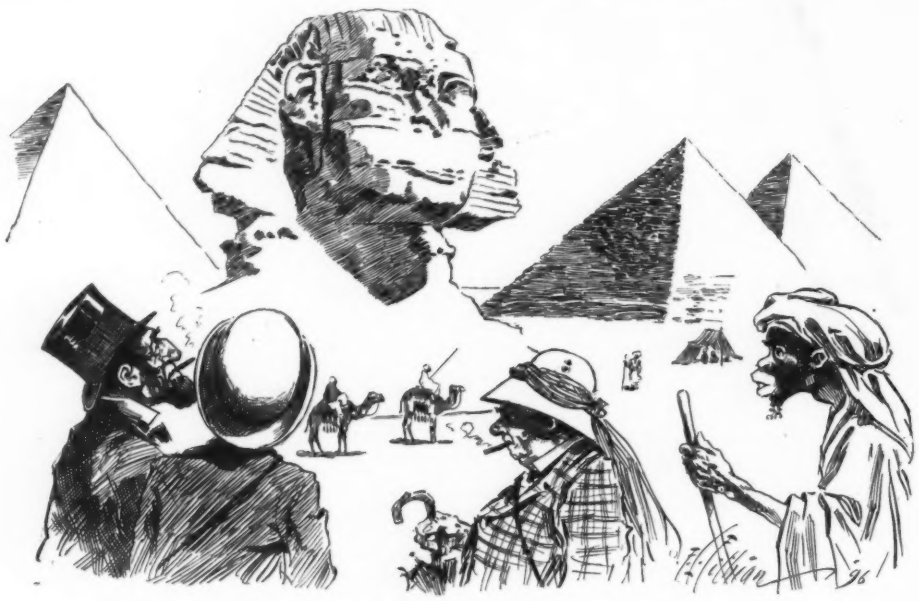
But we, a higher fate is ours,
Ordained from bud to bloom
To lie amidst the green young grass
Above a soldier's tomb.

And when upon the quiet graves
With love and tears we're laid,
And music swells from martial bands
They heard when on parade;

And when the tattered flags are raised
They fought and died to keep,
We feel astir through tangled growths
A thrill from hearts that sleep.

Then when the dew falls silently,
With throbbing drums gone by,
We are on guard, we flowers, and proud
Upon such graves to die.

FLORENCE E. PRATT.



A YANKEE'S OPINION.

MR. HACKS (*from the States*)—"By gum! what er fine lot o' buildin'-stone goin' plum ter waste!"

A SLIP IN HER MEMORY.

HUSBAND—"Where are you going, Alice?"

WIFE—"Come on, George, dear. Let's go down to the old beech-tree and see if our names which you cut when we were courting are still there."

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A BAD RECOIL.

DEAD-DROP DICK (*apropos of the impromptu duel*)—"Wot a fergitful coyote I am! I've got a standin' bet wi' Alkerli Ike thet Cayuse Cal wouldn't die wi' his boots on, an' here *I've* gone an' salivated 'im an' lost my bet."

A NATION'S ALTARS.

THESE are a nation's altars, where these graves
Spread o'er the land one wide funereal pyre
Whereon is lit the sacrificial fire.
A blaze of blossoms kindles for these braves—
A race of freemen never to be slaves—
And as the fragrant incense rises higher
A soldier's heart reaps honor's sweet desire.
Thy priests kneel where our country's banner waves
And lay an olive-branch with moistened eye.
Foeman meets foeman with fraternity;
Our martyred Lincoln taught them to forgive.
Thus swells a nation's homage to the sky,
For patriots' sons shall ever patriots be—
Columbia's heroes die that she may live.

MARY C. FRANCIS.

WOMAN FASHION.

THEY evidently loved each other, for they called each other dear and were most affectionate in manner; and the one with the picture hat remarked, after they were seated in the car, that it seemed an age since they had taken an outing together, and the one with the orchid in her button-hole said, "Yes, indeed! All of five weeks!" and when the conductor came around each paid her own carfare.

HER VERY FIRST.

THE senatrix from Wyoming had just sat down amid the applause of the chamber and the galleries.

"That was her first effort, I believe?" said the senatrix from Kansas to the senatrix from Missouri.

"Yes; her bachelor speech."

AN ADDITIONAL INCENTIVE.

IT WAS during a concert in Cripple Creek.

"What's the name of the piece the guy is singin' now?" asked one miner.

"'What will be my angel name?'"

"Pardner," said the questioner as he placed his hand on his seven-shooter, "as he seems to be rale anxious to find out, let's help him a trifle."

NOT A CHOICE BIRD.

MRS. MATABALLA (*in a rage*)—"Didn't I tell you never to bring one of that sort home again? They run all to legs that can't be cooked tender."

COULDN'T SHOCK HER.

THERE is an old negress in Charlottville who comes in to nurse, and who feels well acquainted with all the families wherein she ministers. She was one day rubbing Mrs. Carter's rheumatic arm when Mr. Carter forgot her presence and began to make his toilet. He took off his coat, then his waistcoat, and then became conscious that the negress was in the room, so stopped abashed. Aunty looked at him in a tolerant, maternal way and said in her mellow voice,

"Go right along, Mr. Carter; doan' yo' mind me. I's an old soldier."

WE SHOULD not need to realize our ideals if we could idealize our reals.

AN ARBITRATOR.

BILLY—"Wot's a board uv arbitration?"
PATSY—"Well, ef me mudder smells dis cigarette on me it'll be a shingle-board."

COMPLIMENTARY.

"Did you tell Miss Mobile that you considered me a liar?"
"No, sir; no, sir. I told her that there were many well-authenticated instances where you had told the truth."

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THE POLITICA

The only one who will

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OLITICAL "SCORCHER."
who will be "in it" at the finish.

EVIDENTLY AWAY.

TOM TOPPNOT—"Hullo, Jack! how do you do?"
JACK PLUNGER—"I (hic) do as I (hic) blame please, thank you."
TOM TOPPNOT—"I see—when does your wife get back?"

MAY THIRTIETH

A FLAG and a fading wreath
Are out in the falling rain;
The stars and the withered buds
May never be fresh again.
But the memory wreath of the brave
We twine of immortal bay
Is green in the nation's heart
And never shall fade away.

N. A. M. ROE.

NOT PRACTICABLE.

Miss New York—"It fairly made my blood boil!"

Miss Bawston—"You are evidently not cognizant of the fact that after continued physiological researches it has been ascertained that human existence cannot be maintained subsequent to the blood's having acquired the temperature of one hundred and fourteen degrees."

A KINDLY SUGGESTION.

"HEL-L-O!" yelled old man Dingley as Miss Luce Bloomer went down the opposite side of the street on her bicycle.

"Well, what is it?" asked she as she gracefully stepped off her machine at his side.

"Why, y' see, I was in the army—in the cavalry, y' know—an' when I see them bloomers I thought I'd tell you about our cavalry pants; y' see they hed two thicknesses of cloth in the se——"

"Sir!" screamed Miss Bloomer.

"Yas," went on old man Dingley, "they wuz what y' call re-enforced in the se——"

"You are an old brute!" she said as she mounted her machine and wheeled away.

"Wa-al, that's where the wear comes on a saddle. She's too darned pertic'ler." And he went back into the house.

A. D. 2000.

IT WAS the morning of May thirtieth. "And what," asked Menelek IV. of Abyssinia, who was on a tour through the United States, previous to attending the ceremonies of his son's graduation at Yale, "and what are these costly monuments which decorate all your cemeteries?"

"These," said the guide, baring his head, "are erected above the graves of the noble athletes who have, on previous May thirtieths, sacrificed their lives at foot-ball, bicycle-racing, the hundred-yard dash and similar conflicts. A long line of noble, intrepid and self-sacrificing youths!"

"And what," asked the king, "is the meaning of this great procession bearing flowers and marching to funeral dirges?"

"These are they who go to the cemeteries," replied the guide, "to decorate the graves of the fallen and to listen to orations in their honor. The forenoon of this day is set apart for such solemn service."

"It is a sad holiday," observed the king.

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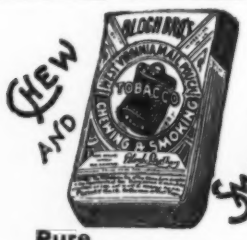

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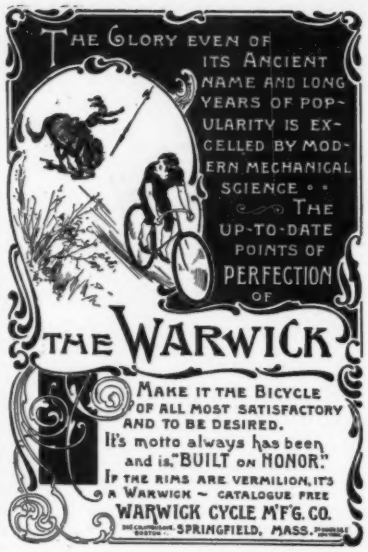

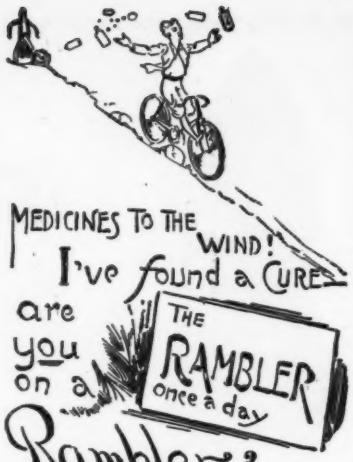

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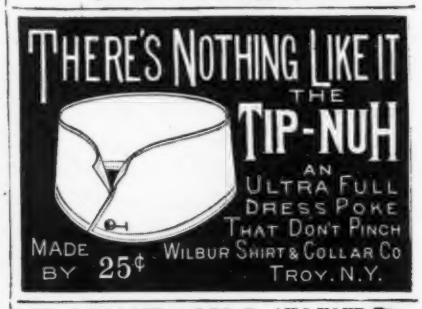

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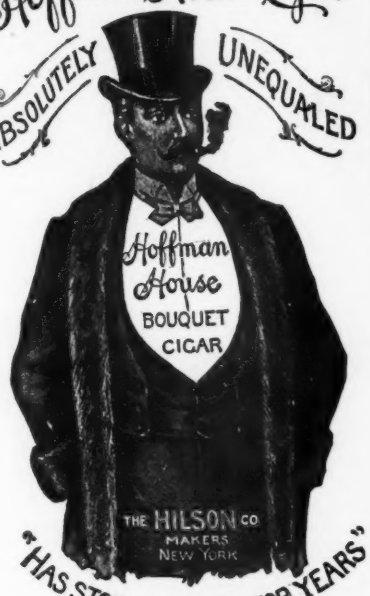

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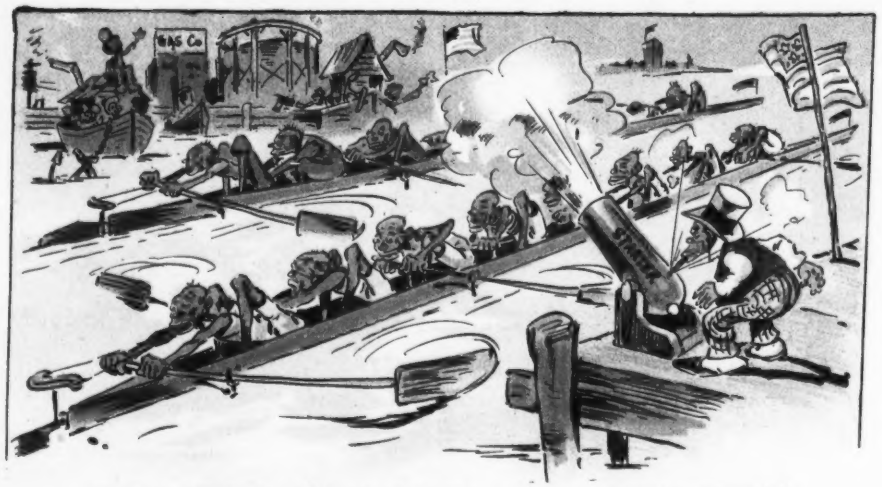

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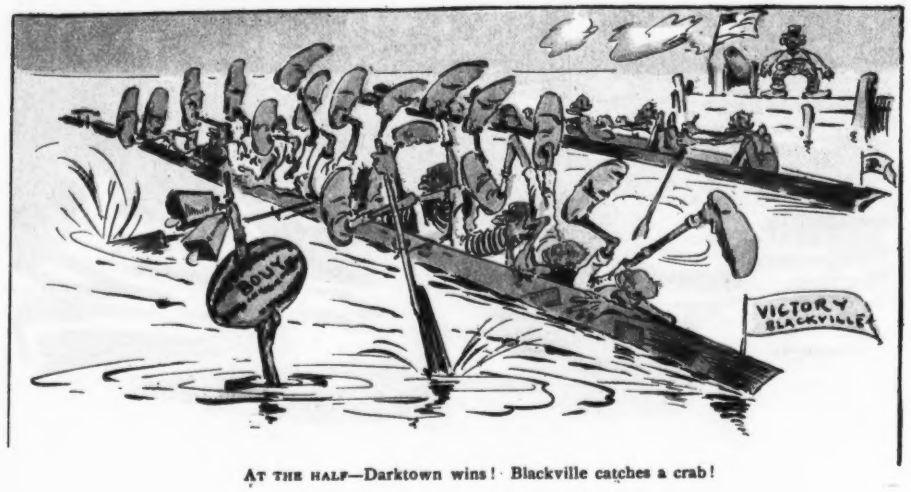

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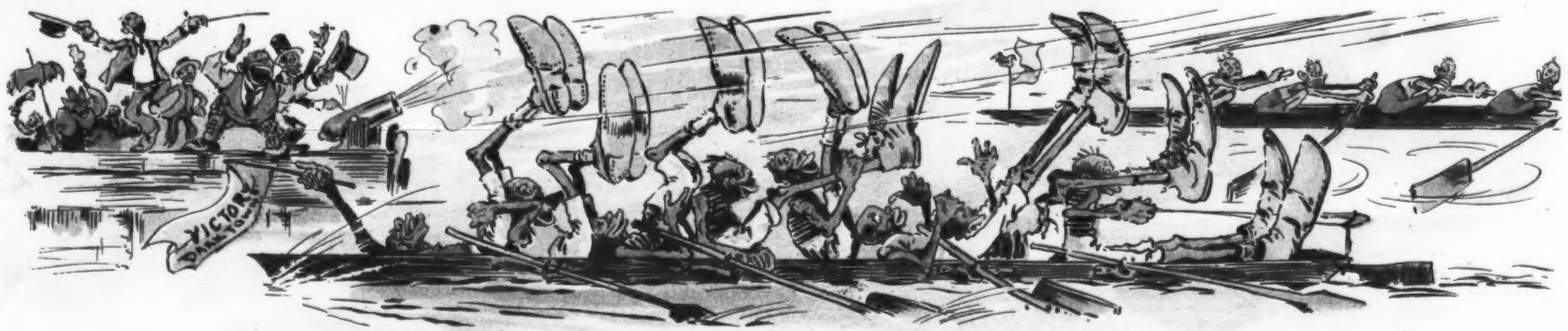

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